

Special Parks Commission Meeting
January 25, 2023
Minutes

Meeting called to order 7:00 pm

Present were Commissioners Brian Depies, Steve Stapleman, Wendy Knopp, and Phil Hudson.

Excused absence Russell Ewert

First order of business was introductions of all Trail Committee members.

Director Standridge explained this committee was formed as an advisory committee to work with Gil on trail plans for the Village of Germantown. The committee would make recommendations when it came to the Trails plans to the Park Commission who would then decide by vote. Also the Trails committee will meet periodically with the Trails Consultant to make recommendations and have discussions that may assist the consultants in their master plan for a trails plan for Germantown

Brian Depies (acting Chairperson) then let the commission know that the trails committee had voted on their choice for a Trails Consultant. He announced that the committee unanimously voted for the GRAEF consultant team. Brian asked for discussion from the Parks Commission.

Commissioner Knop asked if we had worked with Graef before. Brian and Mark Schroeder both talked about the work GRAEF did for the Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan. Mark pointed out without this plan we would not be able to apply for future grants pertaining to trails.

Parks Director Standridge also talked how he worked with GRAEF in 2022 on the Kinderberg Feasibility Study that GRAEF conducted and wrote up. Conducted open houses and developed a plan for a future playground which the budget was adopted by the Board to fund a new playground in 2023.

This was basically all the discussion the Parks Commission had.

Brian asked for a commission motion. Trustee Hudson made the motion to accept GRAEF as the Trails Consultant to write up a master trails plan for 2023. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Knop. A vote was taken and the Commission voted unanimously to accept GRAEF as the Trails Consultant.

Commissioner Depies (acting Chairperson) called for adjournment at 7:13 pm.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Gil Standridge". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the beginning and a trailing flourish at the end.